

Throughout the year, the Ordnance Section conducted qualification activities during both THP and CID In-Service training. Specialized schools were conducted for the Executive Protection Detail and Homeland Security. The Ordnance staff also assisted the United States Inspector General's Office in obtaining ranges for specialized training.

The table below provides a summary of the firearm related activities conducted by the Ordnance Section.

Firearms Activity FY 2004-05	
Handgun Qualifications	2,050
Shotgun Qualifications	968
Rifle Qualifications	871
Off-Duty Weapons	336
Special Schools Conducted	10
Handgun Annual Inspections	991
Shotgun Annual Inspections	975
Handguns Repaired	8
Shotguns Repaired	75
Rifle Inspections	871
Confiscated Weapons Received	90
Confiscated Weapons Destroyed	197

## *2004-2005 Accomplishments and Highlights*

- Refurbished 75 shotguns for Cadet Class 505, saving the Department the expense of purchasing new weapons.
- In response to the passage of Federal House Resolution 218, the Law Enforcement Officer's Safety Act (LEOSA), we conducted 9 separate training schools across the state to accommodate 114 retired Troopers, CVE Officers, TBI Agents and TWRA Officers. This program is a first time program and will be maintained by the Ordnance Section of the Department of Safety to assist retirees in handgun training.
- We were called to seven separate shooting incidents involving departmental employees in an effort to assist CID with the investigation of the shootings. Our involvement here is to check for proper function of the weapon, ammunition, and adherence to policy and procedures as outlined in our General Orders. We further utilize these call-outs to review our training criteria.



## *Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT)*

The Tennessee Highway Patrol's Critical Incident Response Team (C.I.R.T.) Unit's principal responsibility is to assist other members of the Department in the investigation and/or reconstruction of motor vehicle traffic crashes. THP personnel staff the Unit and all members receive extensive training in traffic crash investigation.

The C.I.R.T. Unit consists of four teams statewide, each covering two of the eight THP districts. A Lieutenant is responsible for overall command of the unit. Each team has one Sergeant, who serves as the Team Supervisor.

All of the teams are outfitted with the most advanced tools and equipment available to assist them in the investigation of traffic crashes and other incidents. This equipment includes the following:

- Laser Total Stations for the expeditious and precise measuring of crash and crime scenes
- Accelerometers which are used to determine the coefficients of friction of roadway surfaces as well as vehicle acceleration rates
- Crash Data Retrieval systems to enable the collection and interpretation of information stored in a vehicle's air bag module
- Video, digital and 35 mm cameras for the documentation of evidence
- Generators and External Lighting devices
- Air compressors and tools to aid in the examination of vehicles
- Fingerprint equipment to lift both latent and inked prints
- Computers that collect, store, communicate, and retrieve all of the Unit's information



Since the inception of the C.I.R.T. Unit in April 2001, members have assisted in over 1,514 cases throughout Tennessee, including 359 this fiscal year. The table on the following page identifies the THP district location of calls for service during FY 2004-2005.

While primarily responsible for internal investigations, C.I.R.T. has also assisted many local and federal law enforcement agencies as well as other state agencies. C.I.R.T. is also responsible for the investigation of all criminal homicides investigated by the Highway Patrol. During FY 2004-2005, 75 (seventy-five) criminal homicide cases were opened and processed.

CIRT Cases by District	
THP District	FY 2004-2005
1	41
2	32
3	74
4	28
5	71
6	55
7	21
8	37
<b>Total</b>	<b>359</b>

## C.I.R.T. CASES

July 1, 2004 thru June 30, 2005  
by District  
Total 359



## 2004-2005 Accomplishments and Highlights

During FY 2004-2005, the C.I.R.T. Unit provided instruction in CVE transitional crash training and crash investigation to the 2005 THP-Cadet class. The unit also obtained "Carlson Ranger" Data Collectors for all teams, spoke at numerous civic organizations, and assisted numerous federal, state, and local agencies. In addition, the C.I.R.T. Unit attended numerous specialized training sessions including:

- Advanced Computerized Collision Diagramming
- Investigation of Motorcycle Crashes
- Investigation of Pedestrian/Bicycle crashes
- Special Problems in Crash Reconstruction
- Specialized Data Collector Training

